

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

FLETCHER M. BARNES
and YOUSEF GILALI,

Plaintiff,
v.

ORDER

Case No. 25-cv-25-wmc

LA CROSSE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
UNIT, et al.

Defendants.

Plaintiff Fletcher M. Barnes has submitted a certified inmate trust fund account statement for the six-month period preceding the complaint in support of a motion to proceed without prepaying the filing fee. The court must now determine whether plaintiff qualifies for indigent status and, if so, calculate an initial partial payment of the filing fee.

Even when an inmate litigant qualifies for indigent status, the litigant must pay a portion of the filing fee pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1). Using information for the relevant time period from plaintiff's trust fund account statement, I calculate plaintiff's initial partial payment to be \$11.67. For this case to proceed, plaintiff must submit this amount on or before March 7, 2024.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff Fletcher M. Barnes is assessed an initial partial payment of \$11.67. Plaintiff must submit a check or money order payable to the clerk of court by March 7, 2024 or advise the court in writing why plaintiff is not able to make the initial partial payment.

2. If plaintiff fails to make the initial partial payment by March 7, 2024, or fails to show cause why the payment could not be made, then I will assume that plaintiff wishes to withdraw from this action voluntarily.

3. No further action will be taken in this case until the clerk's office receives the initial partial payment as directed above and the court has screened the complaint as required by the Prison Litigation Reform Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2). Once the screening process is complete, the court will issue a separate order.

Entered this 8th day of February, 2024.

BY THE COURT:

/s/
ANDREW R. WISEMAN
United States Magistrate Judge